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Sent: Fri 8/14/2015 4:17:29 PM
Subject: RE: Gold King Mine Response Guidance - One site or Three (add and OU)

I think we need HQ to figure out the one site or three. I do agree that we should separately track Navajo because we may have to respond at some point to how much did we spend in that area. If we end up with one SSID then using a separate OU would seem to be a good option.

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Subject: RE: Gold King Mine Response Guidance

Thanks Will. With that said, we need to voice our concerns to HQ and ensure that if we have to use R8's SSID, there needs to be a way within the account code that can break out the Navajo costs. My concern when if litigation occurs after we are all retired, will people know there are Navajo costs hidden in R8's SSID? Again, my two cents.

Dave,

I know that we will be using a different org code to designate that we are using R9 funds but if someone is working on both the R8 side and R9 (Navajo side), how can we separate those costs? OU? Just thinking out loud and brainstorming just in case we are forced to use R8's SSID.

Thanks!

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Subject: RE: Gold King Mine Response Guidance

Morning,

My thoughts are if we need to separate costs out for some unforeseen reason down the road, it will be a lot easier if we have separate SSIDs. Does the threat of States or tribal litigation play into this decision? I say we use different SSIDs.

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I would only say that with all the other Navajo work going on, we be able to keep this separate. Don't know whether it's better to use the R8 or R9 SSID.

From: Lee, Barbara
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 7:10 PM
To: Bielenberg, Ben
Cc: Meltzer, Kathy; Wood, David; Guria, Peter; Duncan, Will
Subject: Re: Gold King Mine Response Guidance

I think we are ok with it since it doesn't matter who's money we're using but it will be difficult to breakout how much we spent on the Navajo specifically if we lump all into R8's SSID. If we don't that we'll need to break the cost out more specifically the. It should be ok be knowing the sensitivity with the Navajo Nation, I think it would be a good idea to track that separately. Just my two cents.

Pete or Will,

Any thoughts?

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On Aug 13, 2015, at 6:31 PM, Bielenberg, Ben <Bielenberg.Ben@epa.gov> wrote:

Works for me. What's r9's take on the guidance to use a single ssid?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 13, 2015, at 6:46 PM, Lee, Barbara <Lee.Barbara@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Ben,

R9 is not planning to make any payroll or travel amendments until the issue with SEMS is resolved. Don't want to do all the work only to find out it won't work.

Please let me know if that will be a problem.

Thanks!

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Cc: Portillos, Christine

Subject: Gold King Mine Response Guidance

All,

I wanted to recap the call we had with OSWER and the resource discussion afterwards and make sure we are on the same page...or at least getting closer to the same page.

Moving forward...

- Home Regions will cover base pay for anyone deployed or working on the Gold King Mine Response. Additional payroll dollars are being requested.
- Requesting Regions (i.e. R8 requesting support from R9) will pay OT costs associated with Response. Additional OT payroll dollars are being requested.
- Travel should be covered by the home office and if they are unable to cover the costs Requesting Region will assist. Additional Travel dollars are being requested.
- SSID – OSWER guidance is to use a single SSID, however, this may not be possible if SEMS does not allow. Checking on this...
- R6, 8 and 9 will breakout payroll vs OT to submit to HQ asap.
- OSWER/OCFO will be distributing guidance tomorrow am.
- OSWER/OCFO will be looking at all DC6 funds Agency-wide to assist.

Thank you Lisa for your excerpt from the papal visit guidance (I've pasted below again)

If I missed anything or made a mistakes please reply.

Thank you all.

Ben

Following is an example demonstrating how Regions 4 and 5 can expend their payroll dollars to charge regular time to the Papal Site Account and Region 3's payroll dollars to charge overtime. The difference is the ORG CODE in the site account built in their PPL favorites.

Region 3 Account for Overtime -

2015 T 03W 303DC6 A34ARS00 – Papal Visit.

Region 4 or 5 Account for Regular Time –

2015 T 04D??? 303DC6 A34ARS00 – Papal Visit.

Regions 4 & 5 build both accounts in the employees PPL favorites.

Following is a screen shot as an example of the timecard in PPL (regular time charged to R4 and overtime charged to R3). It's just an example, the ORG Codes, etc. could be different.

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